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Dr. J. Lederberg Dept. of Genetics School of Medicine Stanford University Palo Alto, Cal. Secretariat: 55 Boulevard Maleshorbes Paris Se, France.

July 3, 1963

Dear Dr. Lederberg,

At its Sixth Plenary Meeting, held in Warsaw, 5-12 June 1963, COSPAR approved the establishment of a Working Group on "Space Biology".

Following is the text of the Resolution adopted by COSPAR with respect to the establishment of this Group:

"COSPAR, recognizing the importance of extra-terrestrial biology and the use of space vehicles for investigating certain problems of terrestrial biology and physiology, establishes a new Working Group to consider scientific research and problems in these areas.

This Group will be known as Working Group V on Space Biology and will consist of two sub-groups as follows:

- a. Terrestrial Life in Space
- b. Extra-terrestrial Life

The Chairman of the Working Group will be Professor M. Florkin.

The following scientists will be invited to participate:

A. Terrestrial Life in Space

W.R.	Adey	(USA)	O. Graveline	e (USA)
A.H.		(USA)		
J.W.	Duyff	(Netherlands)W	.K. Stewart	(UK)
	Fenn	(USA)	J.W. Walawsk	ri(Poland)
O.G.	Gazenko	(USSR)		-

## B. Extra-terrestrial Life

M. Calvin	(USA)	N.W. Piros	(UK).
	(France)	C.E. Cagan	(USA).
A.A. Imshenetsky	(USSR)	Baryja	(Japan)
J. Lederberg	(USA)	W. Vishniac	(USA)
A.T. Oparin	(USSR)		-

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It would be greatly appreciated if you would be able to accept membership in this Working Group. It is expected that Prof. Florkin will be corresponding with you concerning the organisation of the work to be undertaken by this new Group. The address of Professor Florkin is:

Prof. M. Florkin Laboratoires de Biochimie Université de Liège 17 Place Delcour Liège, Belgique.

I am confident that the members appointed to this new Working Group will accomplish a very fruitful task for the benefit of our scientific community. I look forward to receiving your favorable reply and on behalf of COSPAR, I express in advance our thanks for your active cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

cc: M. Florkin.

M. R O Y President.